

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A surface acoustic wave filter comprising:
a piezoelectric substrate;
an insulating pattern disposed on the piezoelectric substrate and having permittivity less than that of the piezoelectric substrate; and
a conductor pattern disposed on at least one of the piezoelectric substrate and the insulating pattern; wherein
a portion of the conductor pattern defines IDTs and another portion of the conductor pattern defines wiring traces; and
at a portion where wiring traces ~~are arranged in parallel, have~~having different potentials, ~~and~~ face each other in a plan view, a ground wiring trace is disposed directly on the piezoelectric substrate; and
~~at least a portion of~~ at least one of the wiring traces having a different potential from that of the ground wiring trace is disposed on the insulating pattern.

Claim 2 (original): A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 1, wherein the conductor pattern includes a first conductor pattern disposed on the piezoelectric substrate, a portion thereof defining the IDTs, and a second conductor pattern which is in conduction with the first conductor pattern, a portion thereof being disposed on the insulating pattern.

Claim 3 (original): A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 1, wherein the relative permittivity of the insulating pattern is less than about 4.

Claim 4 (currently amended): ~~A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 4, wherein~~ A surface acoustic wave filter comprising:
a piezoelectric substrate;
an insulating pattern disposed on the piezoelectric substrate and having permittivity less than that of the piezoelectric substrate; and
a conductor pattern disposed on at least one of the piezoelectric substrate and the insulating pattern; wherein
a portion of the conductor pattern defines IDTs and another portion of the conductor pattern defines wiring traces; and
at a portion where wiring traces having different potentials face each other in a plan view, at least a portion of at least one of the wiring traces is disposed on the insulating pattern; and
the insulating pattern includes resin.

Claim 5 (currently amended): ~~A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 4, wherein~~ A surface acoustic wave filter comprising:
a piezoelectric substrate;
an insulating pattern disposed on the piezoelectric substrate and having permittivity less than that of the piezoelectric substrate; and
a conductor pattern disposed on at least one of the piezoelectric substrate and the insulating pattern; wherein
a portion of the conductor pattern defines IDTs and another portion of the conductor pattern defines wiring traces; and
at a portion where wiring traces having different potentials face each other in a plan view, at least a portion of at least one of the wiring traces is disposed on the insulating pattern; and
the insulating pattern has a thickness of about 0.5 μm or more.

Claim 6 (original): A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 1, wherein the relative permittivity of the piezoelectric substrate is about 20 or more.

Claim 7 (original): A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 6, wherein the piezoelectric substrate includes at least one of LiTaO_3 , LiNbO_3 , and $\text{Li}_2\text{B}_4\text{O}_7$.

Claim 8 (original): A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 1, wherein the center frequency of a pass band is about 500 MHz or more.

Claim 9 (original): A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 1, wherein the center frequency of a pass band is about 1 GHz or more.

Claim 10 (original): A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 1, wherein the surface acoustic wave filter has a balance-to-unbalance transformer function and includes a balanced signal terminal and an unbalanced signal terminal.

Claim 11 (original): A surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 10, wherein at least one of a wiring trace connected to the balanced signal terminal and a wiring trace connected to the unbalanced signal terminal is disposed on the insulating pattern.

Claim 12 (original): A communication apparatus comprising the surface acoustic wave filter according to Claim 1.

Claim 13-65 (canceled).